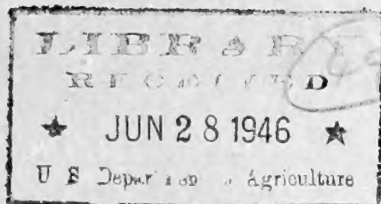


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# SMALL FRUIT PLANTS,

STRAWBERRIES A SPECIALTY.

SPRING OF 1883.

## JOSEPH D. FITTS,

PROVIDENCE, R. I.

**TERMS.**—Payments invariably in advance, or, if one-quarter of the amount is sent, we will forward by express C. O. D. Express charges for returning the balance are always added to the bill.

Remit by Post-Office Order, Registered Letter or Draft.

**BY MAIL.**—Strawberry plants will be sent postpaid at the prices named per dozen. In quantities of 50 or 100, add 20 cents for 50; 30 cents per 100, to the catalogue price.

**PACKING AND SHIPPING.**—No charge will be made for packing or delivery to railroad or express companies. After delivery our responsibility very properly ceases. Everything is carefully labelled. My place is situated in East Providence, only a short distance from the city of Providence. All plants will be delivered at Providence free.

**ERRORS.**—All claims for errors, which will sometimes occur, should be made at once.

**SUBSTITUTION.**—No substitution will be made on any variety without permission. If out of any particular variety desired, the money will be returned.

**WHAT WE PROPOSE TO DO.**—We propose to deliver, at express or post office, good plants, well grown, well packed, true to name and plainly directed, at reasonable prices.

**ORDERS.**—Please order as early as possible, stating date you wish the plants shipped. In ordering, please remember to give Name, Post-Office, County and State distinctly. If you receive more than one copy of this catalogue, please hand to some one interested in small fruits.

## PRIZES FOR STRAWBERRIES.

At the June Exhibition of the R. I. Horticultural Society, June 28th, 1882, second on collection. At Boston, June 30th, 1882, from Mass. Horticultural Society, five first and one second premiums. These berries were picked from the common growth of plants, and not from highly stimulated ones.

**CULTURE.**—When the plants arrive, dip them in water, and bury the roots in a moist shady place until you are ready to set them out. Press the earth firmly about the roots, taking care that they are well spread out. In garden culture, set the plants eighteen inches apart each way and keep runners cut off. For field culture, plant in rows two and one-half feet apart, the plants from a foot to eighteen inches in the rows. For the matted-bed system, plant in rows four feet apart and set the plants one foot apart in the rows. A moist, sandy loam is the best for the strawberry. Use fertilizers freely; there is nothing better than well-rotted stable manure. The plants should be mulched with some light material after the ground has become well frozen late in the fall, and uncover the crowns early in the spring. Plant two or three varieties, early, medium and late, so as to prolong the season for home use as much as possible.



PLANT, POTTED.

### Pot-Grown Strawberry Plants.

—About the first of August we can furnish pot-grown plants of most of the leading varieties (a few of the new kinds excepted), at \$2.50 per 100, \$20 per 1,000.

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## Standard Varieties.

Those marked **P** are pistillate and will not fruit alone, but should be placed near some perfect flowered variety.

**Sharpless.**—A superb variety in every respect. It has again proved one of the largest and best of the late varieties on my place, and does better the second year than it does the first. One of the largest berries in cultivation. Fruit rather irregular in shape; bright red color, moderately firm, sweet, and of good quality. Awarded first prize at Mass. Horticultural Exhibition in June of last year for largest fifty berries. Also, for best four quarts. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100; \$5 per 1,000.

**Champion.**—(**P.**)—Large, handsome, high colored and immensely productive. The plant is a very strong grower, and is coming more into favor every year as a late market berry. I counted 243 berries on a single plant. Very acid until fully ripe. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100; \$5 per 1,000.

**Windsor Chief.**—(**P.**)—Very much like Champion, and said by some to be identical. Plant strong and vigorous, enormously productive. It has been known to yield 12,800 quarts, or 400 bushels per acre. Fruit of regular size, very acid until fully ripe. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100; \$5 per 1,000.

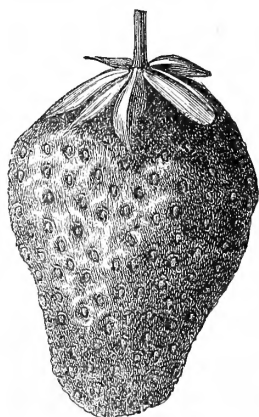
**Charles Downing.**—A general favorite, succeeding everywhere and under all systems of culture. Is rapidly superseding the Wilson as a market berry. Medium to large, and of superior quality. A bed of this kind, if given good care, will last for five years. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100; \$5 per 1,000.

**Monarch of the West.**—One of the best. Very large and productive. Its flavor is delicious and it has a most delightful aroma. Irregular, pale red; a little soft. Plants vigorous everywhere except on sandy land. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100; \$5 per 1,000.

- Duchess.**—The very best early berry, except on light soil. Plant a strong grower and makes but few runners; well adapted to hill culture. Fruit large, bright red, very productive and of good quality. Earlier than the Wilson. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100; \$5 per 1,000.
- Jucunda.**—Extra large, regular in size until late in the season; glossy crimson, handsome, firm; of mild, pleasant flavor. The plants are hardy and very productive, and will amply repay good culture on all heavy soils. This is one of the most profitable varieties for market where the soil suits it, and has been accorded a place among "the cream of the strawberries" for four consecutive seasons by Peter Henderson & Co. It should have a place in every collection. 40 cts. per doz.; \$1.50 per 100; \$6 per 1,000.
- Cumberland Triumph.**—Is a very strong grower, making enormous stools, and producing fruit of very large, regular and uniform size; color a beautiful light red; rather soft, except for near market. Very handsome, and holds its size throughout the whole season. Early and holds out to quite late. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100.
- Pioneer.**—One of the best new early berries, and is growing in favor every year, and is the most profitable early berry of large size found in market. Strong, vigorous grower; foliage light green; perfectly hardy and very productive. Fruit very large and of regular size, light scarlet color, and delicious flavor. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100; \$5 per 1,000.
- Miner's Great Prolific.**—A very strong grower, with bright clean foliage, and so enormously productive that the berries are literally heaped about the plants. Fruit large, somewhat irregular in shape, deep rich red color; firm enough for a near market. Superior in quality to any of the very productive sorts. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100; \$5 per 1,000.
- Crescent Seedling.**—(P.)—This is truly a wonderful berry. The plant is a very rapid grower and entirely free from rust or blight. Fruit from medium to large in size, and of a bright scarlet color, very profitable when grown for a near market, but too soft for long carriage. Succeeds well on all soils; quality not of the best. Season early to medium. 30 cents per doz.; 75 cents per 100; \$4 per 1,000.
- Col. Cheney.**—(P.)—Low spreading plant with light green foliage, vigorous and very productive. Season medium to late. Berry, light scarlet. The large ones irregular in shape. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100.
- Turner's Beauty.**—Though not a new berry it seems to be very little known and its merits have been overlooked. The fruit is large, very dark colored and of delicious flavor. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100.
- Huddleston's Favorite.**—(P.)—A vigorous grower with glossy foliage; the berries are large, round, firm, ripen evenly, of a bright, glossy, crimson color, rich spicy flavor, very handsome, season late. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100.
- Glendale.**—Plant very thrifty, a free runner and very productive. Fruit of large size, conical, light colored and very firm, being fully equal to the Wilson in shipping and keeping. Fair quality; of a brisk sub-acid flavor. Succeeds on light or heavy soils. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100; \$5 per 1,000.
- Wilson's Albany.**—The old reliable standby for market; succeeds well on almost any soil. One of the earliest and the first berries; are of good size, but under ordinary culture soon dwindles down. 30 cents per doz.; 75 cents per 100; \$4 per 1,000.
- President Lincoln.**—One of the largest berries in cultivation, closely approaches the Sharpless in size, the first picking being irregular in shape; rich dark color, sweet and of fine quality; requires very heavy soil and high culture. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100; \$5 per 1,000.
- Forest Rose.**—Is a very beautiful, firm and high-flavored berry of good size, and does well on both light and heavy soils. One of the best. The foliage is inclined to burn in some localities. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100.
- Crystal City.**—Has done much better the past season and may prove valuable from its earliness. It ripens about a week before any other variety and with runners kept off will yield a good crop. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100; \$5 per 1,000.
- Glossy Cone.**—A very firm berry of bright glossy appearance. Said by Peter Henderson to be "the best among nearly seventy varieties, and the earliest of all;" of good size and fine flavor. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100.

- Orient.**—A seedling of Monarch of the West, but larger, firmer and of better color. Quality excellent. Plant vigorous and productive. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100.
- Satin Gloss.**—A seedling of Lady Finger. Plant very large and vigorous, exceedingly productive, continuing long in fruit, medium to large, bright glossy, very regular in size, and holds out well to the end of the season. This and the Orient are two of Felton's new seedlings not yet fruited with me. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100.
- Triple Crown.**—One of the most solid and delicious berries grown. Productive, of large size and somewhat irregular berries. For market or home use it will prove of great value. In flavor equal to the Pres. Wilder, and one of the best for canning. 50 cents per doz.; \$2 per 100.
- Oliver Goldsmith.**—Originated in Ohio and is a seedling of the Seth Boyden, but is of a higher flavor and more productive. 40 cents per doz.; \$1.50 per 100.
- Warren.**—Plant vigorous. Fruit of large size, productive, good form and color, and delicious flavor. 40 cents per doz.; \$1.50 per 100.
- Black Giant.**—One of Mr. Durand's famous seedlings, and of the most delicious flavor. Is large in size and beautiful in appearance. Of average productiveness. 40 cents per doz.; \$1.50 per 100.
- Mount Vernon.**—Plant a good grower and remarkably prolific. Fruit averages large in size, bright scarlet color, moderately firm and of excellent quality. Season late to very late. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100; \$5 per 1,000.

## New Varieties.



BIDWELL.

**Bidwell.**—The plant is a very strong grower and very hardy, exceedingly productive, forming large stools, and setting an enormous number of berries, which average large in size. It is very firm, of fine quality, and ripens early. One of the most remarkable berries ever introduced. It succeeds on light as well as on heavy soils. Under high cultivation, with runners kept off, I think the Bidwell will form the largest and most fruitful plant in cultivation. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100; \$5 per 1,000.

**Finch's Prolific.**—The great value of this berry is its keeping and shipping qualities, being thought superior to the Wilson in this respect. Productive, fruit medium to large in size, firm. In quality only second rate. 30 cents per doz.; \$1 per 100.

**Big Bob.**—(P.)—The coming strawberry and what it must be. It should combine the flavor of the Duncan, the perfection and uniformity of the Windsor Chief, average as large as the Sharpless, and produce as many berries as the Crescent. The originator of the Big Bob says he

thinks he has it, and that he will give \$100 for 100 plants of any strawberry that will beat it for size, quality and productiveness. As compared with Wilson, the first picking is two and one-half times larger, the third three and one-half times, and double the season through under same cultivation. The well-known Sharpless approaches it for size, but that is all. \$1 per doz.; \$5 per 100.

**Seneca Queen.**—One of the most productive varieties, fruit of a very dark crimson, of good flavor, and for a home berry or near market has few equals. Should have a place in every collection. The plant is a strong, vigorous grower. 40 cents per doz.; \$1.50 per 100; \$10 per 1,000.

**Gipsy.**—(P.)—Said to be the acme of beauty and flavor, to those who are willing to pay the price for it in high and careful culture. Very uniform and attractive in appearance. 40 cents per doz.; \$1.50 per 100.



**Jersey Queen.**—(P.)—One of the best late varieties; said by the originator to be not only the best variety he has ever sent out, but by far the best in cultivation. Peter Henderson says this so far is the strawberry *par excellence*. It obtained the first prize for the best quart of any variety at the exhibition of the New York Horticultural Society, in June, 1882, where at least thirty other varieties were offered in competition. Very productive and of the largest size, while the flavor is unsurpassed. \$1 per dozen; \$5 per 100.

**Manchester.**—(P.)—For home use or market it stands pre-eminent. The plant is a strong vigorous grower, free from rust or

blight, wonderfully productive, bearing uniformly large fruit of a bright scarlet color, and in quality better than any other very productive variety; very firm.

The *Rural New Yorker* says of this variety:

"The Manchester, regarding which we have hitherto restrained any positive expression of opinion, is one of the most desirable strawberries we have ever raised, and we have tested not less than 250 different kinds. The only thing that can be said against it is that it is a pistillate, and must be grown near perfect flowering sorts, which for many farmers is attended with trouble or perhaps inconvenience. Our plants are exceedingly vigorous and productive. We have just examined them and find that each plant, on an average, bears 16 peduncles or flowering stems, and that each flowering stem bears, on an average, 10 berries,—giving 160 berries to a plant. We beg to emphasize that we are speaking of average plants. On one plant we counted 22 peduncles and 220 berries in the various stages from ripe to just set. The berry is firm, very uniform as to shape, which is roundish conical;—it ripens in every part and averages above medium as long as it remains in fruit. The quality when ripe is good, though, like the Wilson, it is sour when it first colors,—a characteristic, it seems, of all excellent market berries. It ripens with the Sharpless and after the Bidwell. \* \* \* It thrives in a light, dry, sandy soil. With us it thrives in a moist soil inclining to clay. Several years ago, from our own tests, we spoke highly of the Sharpless, and, soon after its introduction, of the Cumberland Triumph. We have never had occasion to regret this, and we have now little fear that we shall regret commending the Manchester to our readers as the best market berry at present known."—From the *RURAL NEW YORKER* of July 8th, 1882.

## High Praise from the Highest Authorities.

"I have never seen a strawberry that in all respects impressed me as favorably. In this I think the strawberry has been discovered that has long been sought for."

—PETER B. MEAD.

"I truly believe it is destined to become the most popular."—E. P. ROE.

"I deem it worthy of extensive cultivation; combining all the requirements for market or family use."—WM. PARRY.

"I regard the Manchester as a very promising variety, indeed,—fully as much so as I did the Sharpless. Fall set plants bore fully as well as fall set plants of the Sharpless, vie with them in growth, and it surpasses the Sharpless in quality of fruit."

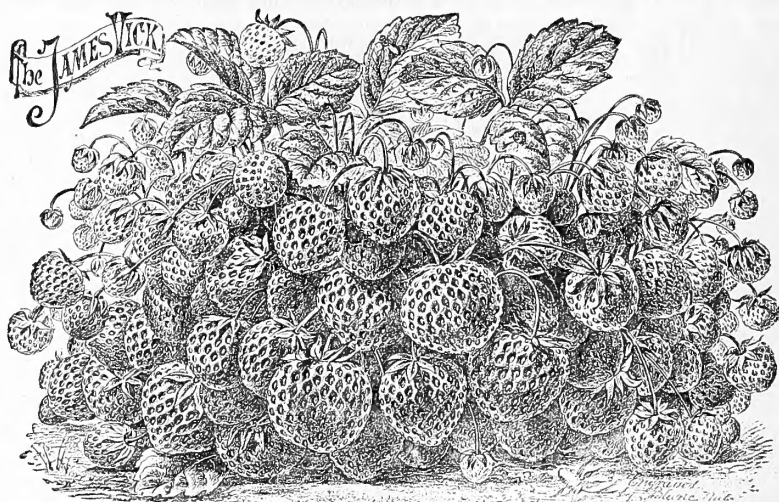
—E. WILLIAMS.

"The Manchester has more good qualities than any other strawberry in cultivation. For shape, color, flavor, beauty, firmness and uniform large berries, as well as for productiveness and hardiness of plants combined, it has no equal."—F. M. HEXAMER.

"I have sold the berries referred to above for seven years. \* \* From its large size, bright color, fine appearance and firmness, it invariably commands high prices. Further, it keeps its color the best of any berry I have ever handled, and 'stands up' well."—C. W. IDELL.

"We shall be greatly disappointed if the Manchester does not make its mark in the future."—AMERICAN AGRICULTURIST.

75 cents per dozen; \$3 per 100; \$15 per 1,000.



AVERAGE PLANT OF JAMES VICK STRAWBERRY, FROM LIFE.

The cut represents one plant which bore 180 berries. Reduced to one quarter the natural size.

**James Vick.**—The James Vick originated with Samuel Miller, in Montgomery County, Missouri. As a seedling, it attracted attention by the glossiness, vigor and beauty of its foliage before it bore fruit. After it fruited and gave promise of great value, Mr. Miller sent it to different States to be tested. It is therefore not introduced without knowing how it will succeed away from its home. It has not been found deficient in any respect in any locality.

The points of merit of the James Vick are briefly: 1, Fine quality, unusual vigor and perfect blossoms; 2, color, form and firmness of berry which approach the ideal, no white tips, no coxcombs; 3, ability to stand on the vines a week after ripening, without becoming soft or rotting, or losing quality or much lustre, instead of softening it shrinks a trifle, and becomes firmer than when first ripe; 4, uniformly large size and productiveness unequalled by any other variety. One hundred and eighty berries were counted on one average plant, and from one row, about one hundred feet long, nearly two bushels of berries were gathered.



## TESTIMONIALS.

Geo. S. Wales, the Bannockburn nurseryman, said he had seen nothing to equal the James Vick.

Secretary P. C. Reynolds, of the Western New York Horticultural Society, considers the quality of the James Vick very good, and well suited to his taste. With possibly one exception, he has not seen anything to equal it in productiveness.

From the Geo. A. Stone Nursery, Rochester, New York: I saw the James Vick to-day at Rochester. It would certainly seem to possess all desirable qualities. It is very prolific, firm of texture and of fine flavor.

Ex-President W. C. Barry: The most promising of all the new strawberries I have tested.

Vick's Magazine says: Its merits as a prolific and profitable strawberry are now pretty well established.

Price \$2.00 per doz.; \$10.00 per 100.



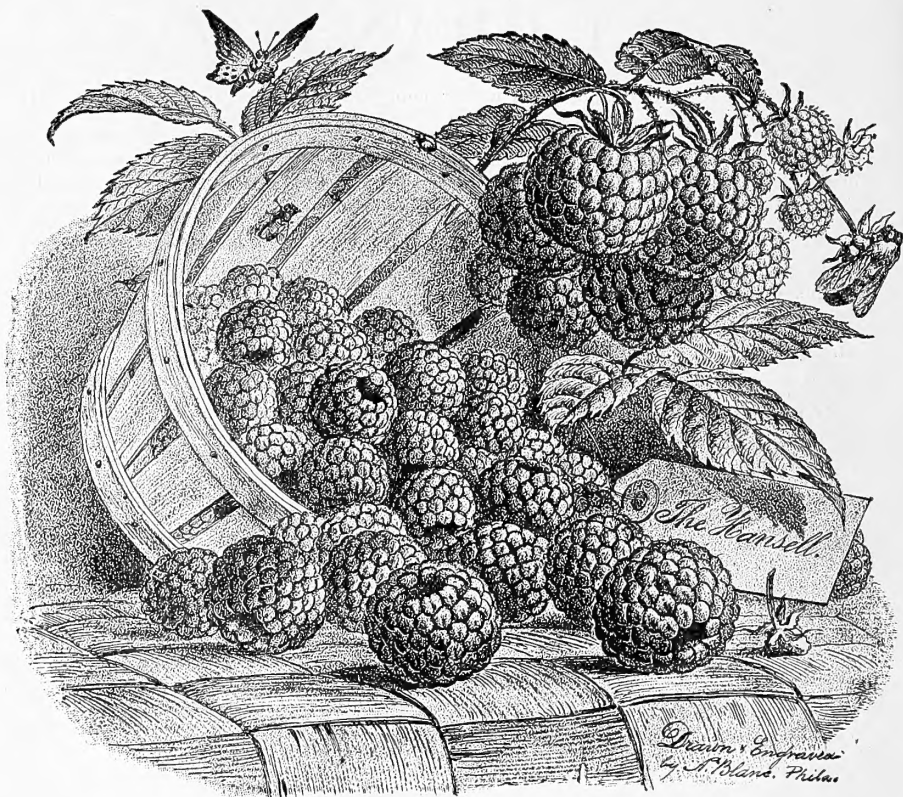
Raspberries should be planted four feet apart each way, in rich well drained land. They are rather benefited by partial shade. Cut back to six or eight inches at planting. Keep the soil loose and free from weeds, treating all suckers as weeds except what are wanted for fruiting.

**Cuthbert.**—This variety seems to more than fulfil the hopes of its friends in regard to hardiness. It should not be planted on too moist or rich soil, or the wood will not be sufficiently ripened. Canes of tall vigorous growth, with large, lusty foliage, fruit of large size, fine quality, bright color and very productive. The best red Raspberry yet introduced that has proved itself adapted to a great variety of soils and climates. 50 cents per doz.; \$2.00 per 100.

**Queen of the Market.**—Same as Cuthbert. 50 cents per doz.; \$2.00 per 100.

**Herstine.**—One of the largest and best half-hardy varieties, fruit very large, of a bright crimson color and fine flavor. Canes of strong growth and an abundant bearer. Very profitable for a near market. 50 cents per doz.; \$2.00 per 100.

**Gregg.**—The largest black-cap now before the public. Ripens a little later than the Mammoth Cluster and the fruit average larger. 50 cents per doz.; \$2.00 per 100.



THE HANSELL RASPBERRY.

**Hansell.**—The earliest of all raspberries, and unsurpassed in other respects; bright red color, fine shape and of great firmness, having been shipped four hundred miles in good condition. Being so very early it commands the highest price in market, having been sold for three seasons for from twenty to twenty-five cents per pint wholesale. It is believed to be as hardy as the Turner, the iron-clad variety; is a good grower and productive. Unanimously pronounced, by the leading Small Fruit Growers of New Jersey and adjoining States, "the most desirable and valuable raspberry in existence. \$3.00 per doz.; \$9.00 per 50; \$18.00 per 100.

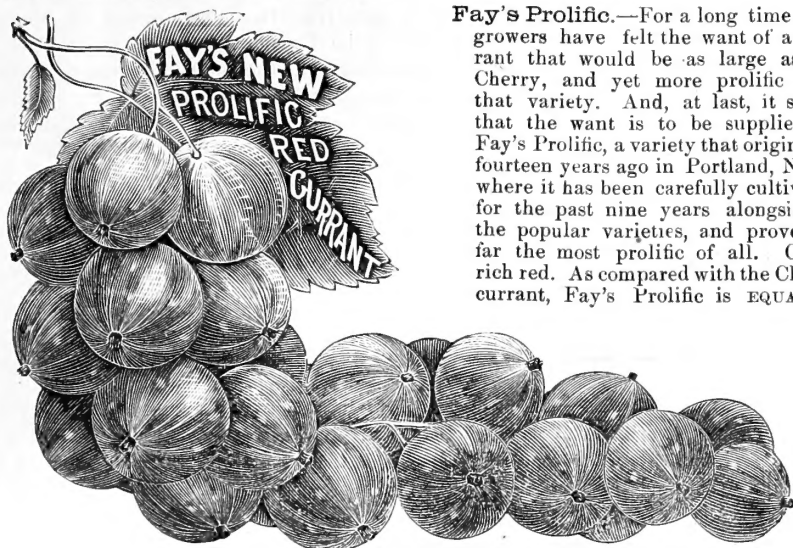
## BLACKBERRIES.

**Kittatinny.**—The best for general cultivation; fruit large, abundant and delicious. Very profitable for market. 50 cents per doz.; \$2.00 per 100.

# CURRENTS.

Currents prefer a moist, cool situation. Plant four feet apart each way. A thorough mulching is necessary for the best returns. They should be pruned in the fall, removing the old wood and cutting back the young shoots about one-third. If the current worm appears, dust with powdered white hellebore while wet with dew.

**Fay's Prolific.**—For a long time fruit growers have felt the want of a current that would be as large as the Cherry, and yet more prolific than that variety. And, at last, it seems that the want is to be supplied by Fay's Prolific, a variety that originated fourteen years ago in Portland, N. Y., where it has been carefully cultivated for the past nine years alongside of the popular varieties, and proved by far the most prolific of all. Color, rich red. As compared with the Cherry current, Fay's Prolific is EQUAL IN



SIZE, BETTER FLAVOR, WITH MUCH LESS ACID, AND FIVE TIMES AS PROLIFIC; also, from its peculiar stem LESS EXPENSIVE TO PICK.

Should it succeed as well all over the country, it will mark a great step forward in current culture, and be worth thousands of dollars to the fruit-growers of the country.

**PRICES.**—Strong one-year plants, \$1.00 each, \$10.00 per doz.; two-year, \$1.50 each, \$15.00 per doz.

**Cherry.**—A strong growing variety. Fruit very large, glossy red, rather acid, valuable for market. Strong two-year plants, \$1.00 per doz.; \$5.00 per 100. One-year plants, 75 cents per doz.; \$3.00 per 100.

**Versaillaise.**—Much like the Cherry, but the bunches are said to be longer. Productive of the largest size, dark red berries. Two-year plants, \$1.00 per doz.; \$5.00 per 100. One-year plants, 75 cents per doz.; \$3.00 per 100.

**White Grape.**—The best white variety. Very large and unsurpassed for productiveness. Two-year plants, \$1.00 per doz.; \$5.00 per 100. One-year plants, 75 cents per doz.; \$4.00 per 100.

**Victoria.**—Very productive and the best, very late variety. Two-year plants, \$1.00 per doz.; \$5.00 per 100. One-year, 75 cents per doz.; \$4.00 per 100.

**Red Dutch.**—Should have a place in every garden for its certainty and productiveness. The best flavored of the red varieties. It is much improved in size by pruning and high culture. Two-year plants, \$1.00 per doz.; \$4.00 per 100. One-year, 75 cents per doz.; \$3.00 per 100.

## GRAPES.

**Concord.**—The grape for the million, too well known to need a description. One year 15 cents, two year strong 3 to 5 feet, 25 cts. each.

**Potter's Early Sweet.**—This is a new grape for the first time offered to the public. It has been grown on the farm of Mr. Thomas G. Potter, the well-known seed grower of East Providence, for the last seven years. The vine is of vigorous growth, perfectly hardy in both vine and foliage, very productive. Bunch of medium size, sometimes shouldered. Berry about the size of the Hartford Prolific. Color black. Season very early, ripening by 1st of September. The fruit holds firmly to the stem and is an excellent keeper. In flavor very sweet. It has been awarded first premium at the R. I. State Fair for the last three years for the best new grape. Price, strong one-year vines \$1 each, two-year vines \$2 each.

**Prentiss.**—This new white grape is attracting much attention, and is a pure native seedling. The bunch is large, not often shouldered. Berry tender, sweet, melting and juicy. Seeds few and small. The vine is a vigorous grower, with thick healthy foliage and very productive, being inclined to overbear. The grape is a good keeper. Ripens about with the Concord.

One-year, first-class vines, 75 cents each.

Two " " " " \$1 each.

Three " " " " \$1.50 each.

**Pocklington.**—A seedling of Concord, strong vigorous grower, healthy and perfectly hardy. Bunch very large, compact. Berries very large, round, light yellow, quality as good or better than the Concord, ripens about the same time. One-year vines \$1 each, two-year vines \$1.50 each.

**Moore's Early.**—A strong healthy grower and an immense bearer. Bunch large, compact; berries large, black and covered with a rich bloom, good flavor. One-year vines 50 cents each, two-year vines 75 cents each.

**Brighton.**—One of the best varieties. Vines vigorous, productive and hardy. In color and shape of bunch it resembles the Catawba. Bunches large and compact, superior quality. One-year 25 cents each, two-year 40 cents each.

**Worden.**—A seedling of the Concord and very much like it, ripens a few days earlier, color black. One-year vines 25 cents each, two-year vines 35 cents each.

**Delaware.**—Very sweet and delicious, bunch small and compact, berries light red in color and small in size. Two-year vines 25 cents each.

## ASPARAGUS.

**Conover's Colossal.**—A well-known variety, of large size, tender and of good quality. One-year old roots 75 cents per 100, two-year old roots \$1.25 per 100.

**Moore's New Cross-Bred.**—The largest and finest in cultivation. The size is large and uniform. A specimen bunch of twelve stalks weighed over three pounds. This variety is very tender and of the best quality, very uniform in color and retains the heads close until the stalks have attained quite a height. Its general appearance is so fine that it finds a ready sale in the market. One-year old roots \$2.50 per 100, two-year old roots \$3.50 per 100.

## SELECT LIST OF

# BOOKS FOR COUNTRY HOMES.

**Roe's Success with Small Fruits**.—A full and comprehensive work on the culture of small fruits. By E. P. Roe. Beautifully illustrated, 312 pp. octavo, and handsomely bound in cloth extra. \$5.00.

**American Grape-Growing and Wine-Making**.—By George Husmann, Professor of Horticulture in the University of Missouri, with contributions from well known grape growers, giving a wide range of experience. The author of this volume is the recognized authority on Grape-Growing and Wine-Making in the United States. The work is a complete guide for novices in the culture of the vine, also a summing up of everything of importance and value bearing upon this industry. Illustrated. Cloth, tinted paper. \$1.50.

**Quinn's Pear Culture for Profit**.—By P. T. Quinn, Practical Horticulturist. If one wishes to raise pears intelligently, and with the best results, he must know, and can learn from this book, the character of the soil, etc., etc. Illustrated. Cloth, 12mo. \$1.00.

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**Small Fruit Culturist**.—By Andrew S. Fuller. Rewritten, enlarged, and brought fully up to the present time. This book covers the whole ground of Propagation, Culture, Varieties, Packing for Market, etc. Fully illustrated. Just published. Cloth. \$1.50.

**The Fruit Garden**.—By P. Barry. A most practical, comprehensive and profusely illustrated work, treating fully on the cultivation of Fruits of every variety, and all the information required for successful fruit growing. Fully illustrated. Bound in cloth, and printed on tinted paper. \$2.50.

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**Talks on Manures**.—By Joseph Harris, author of "Harris on the Pig," "Walks and Talks on the Farm," "Talks on Farm Crops," etc. An entirely new volume, full of practical and valuable information. \$1.50.

JOSEPH D. FITTS,

Providence, R. I.

# Special Collections.

The following collections will be sent by mail, postpaid, on receipt of price:

No. 1.—Six Bidwell, 6 Warren, 6 Seneca Queen, 6 Miner's Great Prolific, 6 Mount Vernon, 1 Hansell Raspberry, for \$1.00.

No. 2.—Three Manchester, 3 Jersey Queen, 3 Big Rob, 3 Gipsy, for \$1.00.

No. 3.—Twelve Manchester, 12 Seneca Queen, 12 Jersey Queen, 6 James Vick, 6 Big Rob, 12 Bidwell, 12 Duchess, for \$4.00.

No. 4.—One Fay's Prolific Currant 1 year, 6 Hansell Raspberries, 6 Versailles Currants 1 year, for \$3.00.

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